



## Provider Communication

<b>Subject:</b> Children's Intervention School Services	<b>Priority:</b> <b>High</b>
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*Dear Providers,*

**Occupational Therapist Provider Qualifications:**

Occupational therapy services must be provided by a professional who holds a valid State license as an occupational therapist or occupational therapist assistant.

**Note:** Services rendered by Occupational Therapy Assistants (OTA) can be billed to Medicaid through the CISS program. The OTA must be working under the supervision of a state licensed Occupational Therapist (OT). The OTA is permitted to provide services based on evaluations and service plans or IEPs developed by the licensed OT. All documentation and continuing education requirements applied to other CISS service providers will apply to the OTAs.

**Supervision Defined:**

Supervision shall mean personal involvement of the licensed occupational therapist in the supervisee's professional experience which includes evaluation of his or her performance. Further, supervision shall mean personal supervision with weekly verbal contact and consultation, monthly review of patient care documentation, and specific delineation of tasks and responsibilities by the licensed occupational therapist and shall include the responsibility for personally reviewing and interpreting the results of any habilitative or rehabilitative procedures conducted by the supervisee. It is the responsibility of the licensed occupational therapist to ensure that the supervisee does not perform duties for which he or she is not trained.